

IASC Commission

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Renewal Application

International Air Services Commission – Renewal of Determination

1. Applicant Details

Applicant: Tasman Cargo Airlines Pty Ltd

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2. Existing Determination

Determination Number: Determination [2015] IASC 112

Date Issued: 2015

Expiry Date: August 2026

Route: Australia–New Zealand

Capacity Allocated: Unlimited capacity.

3. Renewal Sought

Tasman Cargo Airlines requests renewal of its existing determination granting **unlimited capacity on the Australia–New Zealand route** for a further period of **99 years**, to 2125.

The renewal is sought on the same terms as the existing determination.

4. Description of Services

Tasman Cargo Airlines is a **dedicated cargo operator** that has provided continuous service between Australia and New Zealand since **1996**.

- **Historic operations:** Progressive capacity growth from Boeing 727 to Boeing 757, and in 2018 doubled capacity per movement through upgrading to a single Boeing 767 freighter operating between Sydney and Auckland. Further increase in capacity occurred in 2023 as a result of the introduction of a second 767 dedicated to servicing operations between Melbourne and Auckland.
- **Current operations (2025):**
 - 6 x weekly 767 freighter services between **Sydney–Auckland**;
 - 5 x weekly 767 freighter services between **Sydney–Christchurch** (commenced 2023);
 - 5 x weekly 767 freighter service between **Melbourne–Auckland** (commenced 2023).

Tasman Cargo Airlines provides dedicated widebody freight capacity for:

- Urgent and time-sensitive medical supplies;
- High value perishables;
- Oversized freight and cargo not suited to passenger belly capacity;
- Regular express cargo products.

5. Public Benefit and Market Impact

(a) Economic Efficiency and Competition

- Tasman Cargo Airlines provides competitive, dedicated freighter capacity which complements market passenger airline belly capacity.
- Ensures exporters and importers have reliable and flexible cargo options.

(b) Consumer and Trade Benefits

- Sustained access to international markets for regional producers, particularly from **New Zealand's South Island**.
- Reliable supply chains maintained throughout the COVID-19 period when passenger services were suspended.

(c) Employment and Investment

- Tasman Cargo Airlines has almost tripled its workforce since 2022, creating Australian and New Zealand jobs in third party aviation, logistics, and ground handling.
- Tasman Cargo Airlines Continuous investment in modern aircraft, compliance systems, and ground facilities.

6. Compliance Record

Tasman Cargo Airlines confirms that it has:

- Obtained and still holds a valid 'Open Aviation Market License' as issued by the New Zealand Ministry of Transport
- Complied with all relevant Australian and New Zealand regulatory requirements.
- Maintained a strong safety and compliance culture consistent with **CASA and CAANZ regulations**.
- Met all conditions of its IASC determination since 2015.

7. Renewal Criteria (Procedures August 2025)

The renewal application satisfies the requirements of the **Procedures for Renewal of Determinations (August 2025)**:

1. **Eligibility:** Tasman Cargo Airlines is a designated Australian international airline and holds the necessary licences and approvals.
2. **Use of Capacity:** The full unlimited allocation has been, and continues to be, actively used.
3. **Consistency with IASC Act Objectives:** Tasman Cargo Airlines operations deliver clear public benefits including economic efficiency, consumer benefits, and trade facilitation.
4. **No Adverse Findings:** No compliance or competition issues arise that would justify non-renewal.



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8. Renewal Period Requested

Tasman Cargo Airlines respectfully requests renewal for **99 years** (until 2125), consistent with the standard practice outlined in the **August 2025 renewal procedures**.

9. Declaration

Tasman Cargo Airlines declares that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of its knowledge.

Signed:

Kim Rasmussen

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Chief Executive Officer
Tasman Cargo Airlines Pty Ltd
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